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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:                      Group Art Unit:  
MARCELO HOMBRAVELLA ABBAD et al              Examiner:

Serial No.: US National Phase of  
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For: DEVICE FOR PRODUCING BYPASSES UNDER PRESSURE  
IN FLUID PIPING SYSTEMS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Before calculation of the filing fee, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**An Abstract** is found on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of  
claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** are found on page 11 of this paper.